

# Garza to anchor county's 30-minute news program

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Commissioner Jerry Garza is returning to his journalistic roots with 'Commissioners Corner,' a 30-minute monthly news show premiering today at 8 p.m.

Garza's show will air clips from different county events as well as interviews with various county officials.

Guests on his first show were Sergio Delgado, Webb County Appraisal District's chief appraiser, who spoke on the 2005 appraisal notices, and Aliza Oliveros, director of Webb County's Head Start program.

"I think that it's very important for the people to know what their commissioner is doing," Garza said. "This is one of my ways of remaining responsive to my constituents."

Garza added that he has some of the most critical constituents in his precinct, which isn't a bad thing.

"They want to know, and they deserve to know, what I am doing,"

he said. "This is my way of doing it."

He said he also hopes to inform the general public about what county government can do for them.

"I think there's this big cloud over what county government does. This way we're able to tell the people what we do and what it can provide," Garza said.

Next month, Garza said he plans to invite Oscar Villarreal, the county's elections administrator, to discuss the new voting machines.

This isn't Garza's first government public access show. While he was public information officer with the City of Laredo, Garza began 'Laredo at a Glance.'

He said his county government show, which costs about \$100 per month to produce, is formatted like the show he ran with the city.

The show will air tonight on Time Warner public access channel 15 at 8 p.m. It will also be shown Thursday at 8 p.m. and Saturday at 9 p.m. on channel 15.

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